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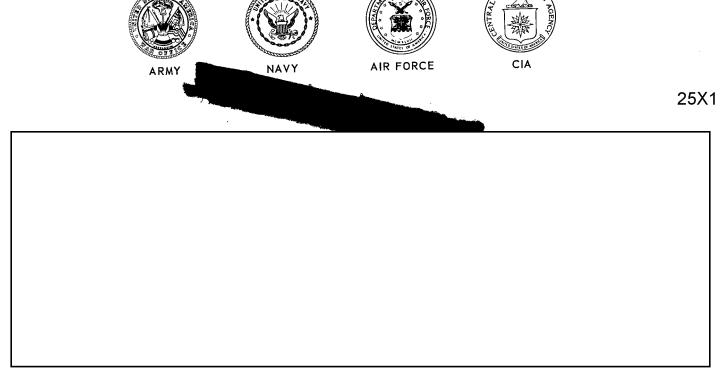
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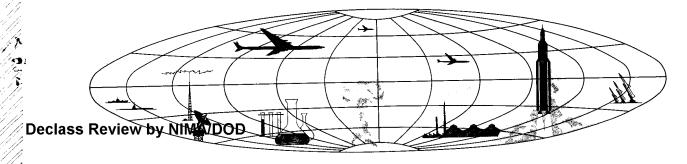
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An installation which may be field launch point SP-2, associated with the Sary Shagan Antimissile Test Center (SSATC), has been identified on 25X1D photography at 47-13N 65-18E, 126 nautical miles (nm) northeast of Tyura Tam, USSR (Figure 1). that the location of SP-2 is probably on an azimuth of about 280 degrees

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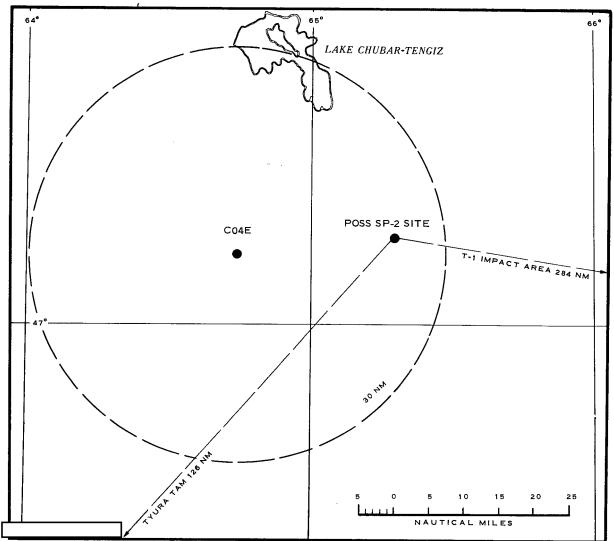


FIGURE 1. POSSIBLE LOCATION OF SP-2 AND COMINT LOCATION OF CO4E.

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and some 300 nm west of the Kapustin Yar Missile Test Range (KYMTR) 1,050-nm impact area, designated by the Soviets as T-1. 1/ The nearest known range facility to this area is tracking station C04E of the Tyura Tam Missile Test Range (TTMTR); C04E is within a 30-nm radius of 47-10N 64-45E. 2/

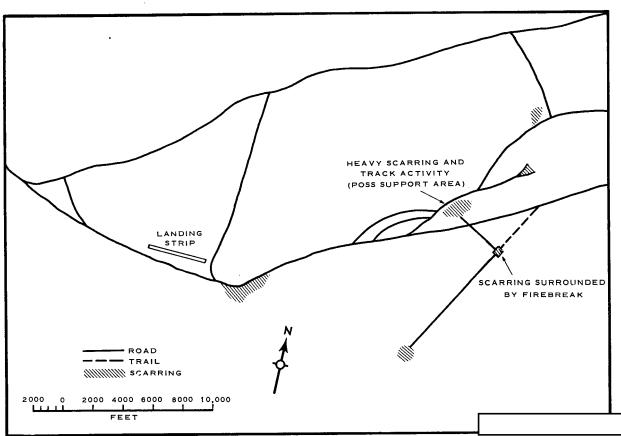


FIGURE 2. POSSIBLE FIELD LAUNCH POINT SP-2.

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The installation identified as possibly SP-2 is 284 nm uprange from the T-1 impact area and on an azimuth of 280 degrees from it. The installation consists of six scarred areas and a natural-surface landing strip measuring 4,000 by 200 feet, oriented roughly east-west (Figure 2). The most heavily scarred of the six areas may be a support area. One of the other five scarred areas is surrounded by a firebreak measuring 500 by 300 feet. Poor image quality precludes comparison with the previously identified launch sites at Chelkar 4/ and Makat. 5/ The installation is sufficient in size and facilities to have or have had a TTMTR outstation colocated with it.

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